CTAC RESOLUTION #9-06

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE MPO GOVERNING BOARD SUPPORT THE WALKSAFE PROGRAM FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS (M-DCPS) AND ADVISING THE BOARD THAT THE COMMITTEE IS MAKING AN INQUIRY TO THE M-DCPS SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM AND ENSURE ITS IMPLEMENTATION DISTRICT WIDE

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) and the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) have established the Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) to advise it on transportation related matters, and

WHEREAS, CTAC was presented with the WalkSafe Program by Dr. Gillian Hotz, Neurotrauma Outcome Research Director, from the Ryder Trauma Center at the University of Miami School of Medicine/Jackson Memorial Medical Center, and

WHEREAS, this program is a multi-agency effort aimed at educating elementary school children (K-5) about pedestrian safety measures to reduce the number of children being struck by vehicles in high-risk neighborhoods, and

WHEREAS, the CTAC has learned that this program is mandated by the M-DCPS, however, as of October 2005 only 50% of all Elementary schools are implementing it at this time, and

WHEREAS, CTAC is advising the M-DCPS Superintendent, Dr. Rudolph F. "Rudy" Crew, to continue supporting this very important program and to strongly encourage those Elementary schools not presently participating to initiate this mandated program immediately.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC) OF THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA:

SECTION 1: That the CTAC recommends the MPO Governing Board support the WalkSafe Program for M-DCPS.

SECTION 2: That the CTAC is making an inquiry to the M-DCPS Superintendent's office to encourage them to strongly support this program and ensure its implementation district wide.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Richard Pulido, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Naomi Wright, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Rolando Acosta	- Aye	Beatriz Navarro Goudie	- Absent
Andrew Burgess	- Aye	Carline Paul	 Absent
Wendy Carr	- Absent	Emma Pringle	- Aye
Kenneth Carsto	- Absent	Richard Pulido	- Aye
Carlos Diaz Padron	- Absent	Ramon Ramos	- Aye
Jose Enriquez	- Aye	Mario Rojas	 Absent
Daniel Fils-Aime	- Aye	Paul Schwiep	- Aye
Hudson Gaulman, Jr.	- Aye	Lee Swerdlin	- Aye
Mac Glasgow	- Absent	Barbara Walters	- Aye
Malou Harrison	- Absent	Jeffrey Wander	- Aye
Frank Hernandez	- Aye	John Westbrook	 Absent
Ramon Irigoyen	- Absent	Naomi Wright	- Aye
Marlon L. Kelly, Sr.	- Absent	Andrea Young	 Absent
Mario Martinez-Malo	- Aye	Frank Zeinali	 Absent

Acting Chairperson Norman Wartman - Aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and approved this 26th day of April 2006.

CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC)

Elizabeth Rockwell

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